

Scribe Sheet

Date: 1/28/08

Scribe: Lori

Present: Frank Linda Lisa Lori Sally Richard Roger

Meeting called to order at (time): 6:03

Meeting Adjourned at (time): 7:57

Next Meeting Date: 2/4/08 6:00

Topic Discussed	Summary of Topic Discussed	Decision/Action to be taken	Deadline/Person Responsible	Action Item Completed
Approval of minutes of 1/7/08 meeting	Under public participation it referenced that Mike Hourigan and Joe Hatch attended on behalf of NAHA and it should have been Dynamos Soccer	NAHA will be replaced with Dynamos Soccer. Motion made by Linda and 2 nd by Frank to approve minutes with the one noted change. Motion passed 6-0-0	2/4/08 – Lori	
Public Participation	<p>We have received a letter of interest from Vanessa Smith. She will be invited to the next board meeting.</p> <p>Question: If we receive several applications for this vacancy how is it determined who will fill the position?</p> <p>Discussion around getting Roxbury involved with the Recboard. Northfield and Roxbury are very close communities and we would like to involve them somehow with the Recreation Board. The only issue identified was Roxbury residents not being able to vote on budget items.</p> <p>Roger shared that he really enjoys snowshoeing and knows other people do to. He offered some suggestions as to where the Board may consider flagging snowshoe trails; Cheney Farm, Memorial Park, Nature Trail at the school, Paine Mountain.</p> <p>Sally shared that Jack Baroffio has been given a permit to build a rifle range on Baily Road. When the board met with him, he had indicated loosing the range at Norwich had a big affect on his rifle program. This will be a nice resolution.</p>	<p>Vanessa will be invited to the next board meeting.</p> <p>Answer: The Selectboard reviews all the applications and makes the selection.</p> <p>Motion made by Linda and 2nd by Frank to expand the Rec. Board by 2 Member at Large seats from Roxbury to be appointed annually. Motion passed 6-0-0</p> <p>Board needs to come up with rules/policies around Members at Large.</p> <p>Board will need to discuss locations and how to flag trails.</p>	<p>Sally prior to 2/4/08 meeting</p> <p>Sally to contact Adam Vanvaught and Donna Gerdes as they have shown previous interest.</p> <p>Sally to add to agenda</p> <p>Sally to add to agenda</p>	

Elect Vice-Chairman & Secretary	Board discussion to re-elect annually in April. It was felt that 3 years was a long time for somebody to commit to holding an office.	Linda made motion and Lisa 2 nd to re-elect officers annually in April. Motion passed 6-0-0. This year it will be 4/7/08.	Sally to add to April Agenda	
Calendar of Events	<p>Reviewing of Calendar of Events tabled until next meeting.</p> <p>There was some discussion on Babe Ruth needing to complete an application for use of the baseball field. Frank Pecora had included it with the school schedule. Babe Ruth isn't a school sport so therefore it must request the field separately. It is understood that the baseball field at the Park is the only one that is regulation size for Babe Ruth. There is also a men's baseball field from out of town that requests use of the field. Roger shared that they do not rake the field and fix the mound when they are done using the field. He has been there and had to fix it himself in the past.</p> <p>Rotary dinner/donation dinner is on 2/14/08 at 6:00. Rotary has a donation for us.</p>	<p>Calendar needs a different format.</p> <p>Frank H. already discussed the need for the additional application with Frank P. and Frank P. will be forwarding it.</p> <p>Northfield resident use will get priority over any out of town requests for usage.</p> <p>Frank to attend dinner.</p>	<p>Frank to try and move calendar into Excel before next meeting.</p> <p>Frank will attend the Rotary dinner on behalf of the Rec. Board on 2/14/08 @ 6:00</p>	
Review Wish List and Needs List	We talked about having a "spruce up" day at each park. Of the tasks on the list, the board identified one under each category that we would like to try and get done by use of volunteers.	<p>Falls Field # 5 – Buy swings for swing set. There are many kids during baseball and from the neighborhood that use the swing set. #8 – Concession stand needs to be more accessible for all activities, can be used as fundraiser and needs cleaning up. Bathrooms to be looked at for usage.</p> <p>Memorial Park # 1 – Clean up and make repairs to water fountains</p> <p>Skateboard Park #1 Repair and Paint</p>	<p>Richard to check in with MicroCheck to see who owns the swing set.</p> <p>Lisa will form a subcommittee to look into ideas of how to best utilize the concession stand.</p>	

		Pool Area #3 Pool house repair and paint	Frank to look into purchasing lightning detector meters for each park.	
Review Community Calendar Names	Linda to re-circulate this. Discussion tabled until next meeting. Northfield news would like to add our recreational calendar information to their community calendar in the paper.	Get list of Community Calendar Names to Northfield News.	Sally to add to agenda Sally to send e-mail to news.donahue@gmail.com	
After action for Bonfire	<p>Skating party/bonfire was a huge success with 50 – 60 community members attending. Some changes for next year include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advertise earlier so we can have more trees and also have at least 20 pallets. - Block off the road to the rink and have people utilize the parking lot. It was too hard for people to turn around. Use the tiki torches to light the road for walking. - Get a generator to be used for lights and coffee service - Snowblow a larger area around the fire pit for people to stand/sit. - Advertise at the middle-high school level. Utilize the school's morning announcements for this. - Advertise for people to bring a lawn chair and an end time of about 9:00. - Ask N.U. students to build some snow sculptures. - Possibly start earlier 	The Skating party/bonfire procedure needs to be reviewed and updated.	Sally to update the procedure list and then send it out to everyone.	
Ice Rink Concern	Frank had a complaint from a parent at the skating rink who observed a local boy being told by another adult that NAHA rules stated he couldn't skate without safety equipment on. The boy isn't involved with the NAHA program. Frank spoke to the man who made the comment and the man was under the impression the rink was a NAHA rink. Frank clarified with him these are community rinks and are not run by NAHA.	General safety rules should be posted	Frank to talk with Paul Clayton about this.	
Next Meeting & Adjournment	February 4, 2008 @ 6:00	Meeting adourned – 1 st by Linda 2 nd by Lori		